Claims

1. A method for transferring data (101, 106) and
   information on associated data asset information,
   comprising the steps of:
- providing (307) session description information (110)
   that at least partially contains said information on
   said data asset information, wherein said session
   description information obeys a first protocol,
- transferring (309) said session description information
   (110) to a destination instance (301) based on a second
   protocol (107, 109, 102), and
- transferring (313) said data (101, 106) between a
   source instance (305) and said destination instance
   (301) within a transfer session and based on a third
   protocol (102).

2. The method according to claim 1, wherein at least at
   said source instance (305), said data (101, 106) and
   said information on said data asset information jointly
   obey a pre-defined format.

3. The method according to any of the claims 1-2,
   wherein said data (101, 106) represents streamable
   content (101) and wherein said transfer session is
   controlled by a Real-time Streaming Protocol RTSP
   (109).

4. The method according to claim 3, wherein said second
   protocol (107, 109, 102) is said RTSP (109).

5. The method according to any of the claims 3-4,
wherein said RTSP (109) uses the services of a
Transport Control Protocol TCP (108), of a User
Datagram Protocol UDP (104), or of a Hypertext Transfer
Protocol HTTP (107).

6. The method according to any of the claims 4-5,
wherein said session description information (110) is
transferred (309) to said destination instance (301) by
using a DESCRIBE method of said RTSP (109).

7. The method according to any of the claims 1-3,
wherein said data (101, 106) represents streamable
content (101), and wherein said second protocol (107,
109, 102) is a HTTP (107).

8. The method according to claim 7, wherein said HTTP
(107) uses the services of a TCP (108).

9. The method according to any of the claims 1-3,
wherein said data (101, 106) represents streamable
content (101), and wherein said second protocol (107,
109, 102) is a Real-time Transport Protocol RTP (102).

10. The method according to any of the claims 1-9,
wherein said third protocol (102) is an RTP (102).

11. The method according to claim 9 and 10, wherein
said RTP (102) uses the services of a UDP (104).

12. The method according to any of the claims 4-11,
wherein said TCP (108) or UDP (104) use the services of
an Internet Protocol IP (105).

13. The method according to any of the claims 1-12,
wherein said first protocol is a Session Description
Protocol (SDP).

14. The method according to claim 13, wherein said
session description information (110) is a data
structure with at least one pre-defined attribute
structure (2) for at least a part of said data asset
information or for at least one reference to an actual
location of at least a part of said data asset
information.

15. The method according to any of the claims 1-14,
wherein said second (107, 109, 102) and third (102)
protocols at least partially define a protocol stack
(1) for a Packet-switched Streaming Service PSS in a 3G
mobile communications system.

16. The method according to any of the claims 2-15,
wherein said pre-defined format is a 3GPP file format
or any other file format.

17. The method according to claim 16, wherein said data
asset information is asset meta-data information
contained in a User Data Box of a Movie Box or Track
Box of a 3GP file container or any other file
container.

18. A computer program with instructions operable to
cause a processor to perform the method steps of claims
1-17.

19. A computer program product comprising a computer
program with instructions operable to cause a processor
to perform the method steps of claims 1-17.

20. A system for transferring data (101, 106) and
information on associated data asset information, the
system comprising:
- at least one source instance (305), and
- at least one destination instance (301),
  wherein session description information (110) is
  provided (307) that at least partially contains said
  information on said data asset information and that
  obeys a first protocol, wherein said session
  description information (110) is transferred (309) to
  said at least one destination instance (301) based on a
  second protocol (107, 109, 102), and wherein said data
  (101, 106) is transferred (313) between said at least
  one source instance (305) and said at least one
  destination instance (301) within a transfer session
  and based on a third protocol (102).

21. A device for transferring information on data asset
information that is associated with data (101, 106)
that is transferred (313) between a source instance
(305) and a destination instance (301) based on a first
protocol (102), the device comprising:
- means (401) for providing session description
  information (110) that at least partially contains said
  information on said data asset information, wherein
  said session description information (110) obeys a
  second protocol, and

– means (402, 403) for transferring said session
   description information (110) to a destination instance
   (301) based on a third protocol (107, 109, 102).

   22. A device for receiving data (101, 106) and
   information on associated data asset information,
   wherein session description information (110) is
   provided (307) that at least partially contains said
   information on said data asset information and that
   obeys a first protocol, the device comprising:
– means (501, 502) for receiving said session description
   information (110), which is transferred to a
   destination instance (301) based on a second protocol
   (107, 109, 102), and
– means (507) for receiving said data (101, 107), which
   is transferred between a source instance (305) and
   said destination instance (301) within a transfer
   session and based on a third protocol (102).

   23. The device according to claim 22, further comprising:
– means (503) for at least partially extracting said
   information on said data asset information from said
   received session description information (110).

   24. A session description protocol to be used in a
   system for transferring data (101, 106) and information
   on associated data asset information, wherein said data
   (101, 106) is transferred (313) between a source
   instance (305) and a destination instance (301) within
   a transfer session and based on a first protocol (102),
   the session description protocol comprising:
– a definition of a session description information (110)
   that at least partially contains said information on

said data asset information and that lends itself for transfer (309) between said source instance (305) and said destination instance (301) based on a second protocol (107, 109, 102).